

## **Cave Springs Fire Dept.**

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The Cave Springs Fire Department responded to 39 incidents in March 2016. 188 man hours were utilized for these incidents. Below is breakdown of incidents by type and location:

	Cave Springs	Elm Springs	County	Mutual Aid
EMS	9	9	3	0
Structure Fire	2	0	0	5
Wild land Fire	1	0	1	1
Fire Other	1	0	1	0
Other	0	0	2	5

The Department held only one of its scheduled meetings in March, due to several personnel being out of town and others being in other classes. Training topic for our meeting was Mayday and Rapid Intervention Procedures; there were 39 man-hours of this training. This training focuses on firefighters becoming endangered and procedures to remove them to safety. We also held the annual Cave Springs Fire Protection Association meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup> at the station.

March has been a busy month with annual dues notices going out. We are using a different system this year in conjunction with the Arkansas Rural Fire Protection Program. This program did all the set-up and mailing at no charge. We have seemed to reach many people that have been missed in the past and the response has been mostly positive.

Daytime personnel performed one occupancy inspection this month for one of our group homes. They also had three separate community interactions involving 5 adults and 3 children. We also had one job shadow. Personnel also performed annual ladder testing in conjunction with a third party. We had two of 24 foot extension ladders fail, not meeting NFPA standards and we are in the process of replacing them.

We will not be holding our spring pancake breakfast this year, but we are looking at having some kind of fundraiser later in the spring or early summer.